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TOWN MEETINGS AND SPECIAL DATES

JAN 29 - (Fri.) NEWSLETTER Deadline for the March issue, 12 NOON

FEB 1 - COUNCIL MEETING

FEB 15 - Presidents' Day (Town Hall closed; no Bus service)

FEB 22 - COUNCIL MEETING

MAR 3 - NEWSLETTER Deadline for the April issue, 12 NOON

Town meetings begin at 7:30 PM at University Park Elementary School. All interested residents are encouraged to attend. Interpreting services can be provided with a request made ten days in advance. **Agenda for Council Meetings is posted on the Town's website as well as on the bulletin board outside the Town Hall on the Friday before each Meeting.**

FROM THE MAYOR

JOHN ROGARD TABORI

The end of 2009 brought us snowy holidays for the first time in many years. Here's hoping everyone enjoyed the final weeks of this first momentous decade of the 2000s! **HEARTFELT THANKS** to the many residents who donated contributions to the

Town Holiday Funds. They were very much appreciated by the UPPD officers and by the UPPWD staff members, particularly after they had just spent a couple of long nights and days trying to keep our streets cleared. Thanks also to those who offered their wonderful thoughts and **HOLIDAY CHEER** to the Town Hall staff; our shelves were filled with cards!

WELCOME to Ms. Jacqueline Bradley Chacon, who was elected to fill the vacant Ward 7 Council position. Ms. Chacon was sworn in at the January 4th Council Meeting.

The New Year and the new decade have brought and will bring **CHALLENGES, CHANGES, AND OPPORTUNITIES** to University Park. The WSSC work crews will be with us for the better part of the year replacing an aging infrastructure. For residents who have had to cope with water main breaks, these changes cannot come soon enough. In the spring and summer, Baltimore Avenue (Rte. 1), between Albion Road (across Rte. 1 from the Town Hall) and East-West Highway, will undergo a long overdue makeover. The street surface will be milled and overlaid, and the sidewalk on the UP side will be redone by the State Highway Administration (SHA) using stimulus funds. SHA also is slated to upgrade the intersection at East-West Highway, Queens Chapel Road, and Adelphi Road. Work is expected to begin on these projects sometime after February 1st. PG County will repave Clagett Road in the late summer of 2010. Finally, in FY 2011 or 2012, the Town

and WSSC have plans to carry out major repairs on the Town streets that are being subjected to water main, sewer line, and gas line upgrades.

With the exception of the last item on the list (street repairs), the Town will incur little, if any, **FINANCIAL LIABILITY**. The SHA projects are being funded out of stimulus money or the State budget. The Clagett Road project also will be paid for with stimulus funds. Approximately half of the post-water-gas-sewer line replacement street repairs will be paid by a combination of Washington Gas and WSSC funds. The remainder will be paid by the Town, and at this time, we calculate that our street maintenance reserves should be sufficient to cover our portion of the costs.

FISCALLY, the Town is in good shape. At this time, in spite of revenue shortfalls, it would appear that we will end the fiscal year with a small surplus, which means that we will not have to use reserves or raise taxes to balance the budget. For the past three and a half years, we have worked steadily toward controlling the size of our operating budget so that we will be in a good position to ride out rough patches, while ensuring that we can pay for capital equipment, infrastructure repairs, and needed services without increasing property taxes. Last year, when we presented the FY 2009 budget, we projected that we would be able to sustain level taxes through FY 2014. At this point, it appears that we are on the way to meeting that goal in spite of the harsh economy.

On the good-news/bad-news front, it appears that the **BELCREST PLAZA DEVELOPMENT** WILL receive the approval of the Maryland National Capital Parks and Planning Commission to go forward with conditions. At a lengthy hearing on January 14th, at which the Town was represented by **Suellen Ferguson, Mickey Lucas, Tom Stickles, John Brunner, Margaret Mallino, and myself**, the Planning Board moved to grant the Percontee group their Detailed Site Plan and to rezone the Toledo Terrace parcel to a multi-use infill

zone (M-U-I) from its current residential multi-family zone (R-18). However, the Town WAS able to achieve one important goal in that the **Board required the developers to use the latest proposed-storm-water-management regulations** when developing the site. And when we combine that with the VERY GOOD NEWS that **the Three-inter-municipality Consortium** (working to improve Wells Run and manage storm water run-off into it) **is rapidly becoming a reality**, there appears to be a very good chance that we may be able to lessen damage to the Stream, to our Town infrastructure, and to private property (from the possibility of flooding).

The Planning Board also **wrote a condition designed to reduce the traffic impact of the Belcrest Plaza development on the PG Plaza area** which, while it provides some safe guards against the rise of uncontrolled traffic problems along Adelphi Road and at its intersections with East-West Highway, Adelphi Road, and Queens Chapel Road, the exact language for this provision is unclear at this time, and we will want to continue to monitor this outcome. And finally, UNFORTUNATELY, the Board did grant the developer an exception to the height limits, so they will be permitted to construct a 31-story building at the corner of Belcrest Road and Toledo Terrace. **The Mayor and Council still believe this to be a serious mistake**, one which significantly violates the surrounding community's understanding of what was to be developed at Prince George's Plaza and included in the PG Plaza planning document (the Prince George's TDOZ). **The Town will continue to contest this variance from the standards set forth in the TDOZ** at the District Council hearing (where the final decision will be made later in the year). For residents of UP who wish to follow and understand the position of the Town, we will post (on the Town website) all our formal transmittals to the Planning Board as well as the Board's final decision.

As spring approaches, please consider if you might like to **PLANT A SHADE TREE** on your property. "Succession" is inevitable and

we have seen the loss of a number of old and stately trees this past year. Future generations will appreciate their replacement which will, in turn, maintain the quality of life that we enjoy in UP. Remember, the Town has a subsidy program for residents who plant qualified trees. [Ed.NOTE: Check on the Town website under Documents/Tree Committee for the list of eligible shade trees.]

Before closing, I would like to offer the Town's **THANKS TO** all **THE RESIDENTS** who got out there and cleared their sidewalks after the big storm. I also would like to give **THE TOWN CREW** a tip-of-the-hat for keeping our roads passable under very difficult circumstances. Unfortunately, we lost our access to salt early in the storm. Since that time, we have pre-purchased salt supplies sufficient to get us through a storm of equal magnitude if the normal draw-down and pay-as-you-go procedure breaks down again. Also, in the case of future snow storms, **when warnings of snow are imminent**, we ask that **all residents with driveways please park their car/s off-street**. Only car-less streets can be cleared curb-to-curb and residents there can avoid having to re-dig out cars and driveways twice. Driveway parking also reduces the risk of damage to your car from both the salt that is laid down and from possible strikes by other vehicles sliding or misjudging distances.

"Enjoy the remainder of these crisp winter days; I hope to see you around Town."



FROM THE CHIEF
MICHAEL WYNNYK

FOR CRIME PREVENTION: "PLEASE...

- ♥ Lock your car doors.
- ♥ Don't leave keys in your vehicle.
- ♥ Don't leave valuables in your vehicle.
- ♥ Set your car alarm."

These tips are from the Highway Safety Council. The recent increase in thefts from autos necessitates extra safety measures to eliminate this criminal activity. **University Park is a safe place, but COMPLACENCY in locking doors and putting away bicycles and other valuables HAS MADE US A TARGET for easy pickings** in the eye of the current criminal! And, unfortunately, there is a trend to break a vehicle's window to gain access without opening any doors, which avoids setting off the vehicle's alarm.

Even if you have an alarm, **do not leave valuables in your vehicle**. If the opportunity is provided, and anything interesting is visible, thieves find this favorable circumstance too hard to resist. **Vigilance is the enemy of the criminal**. If you think you might know who is committing these thefts, please report it to the UPPD; your name always will be kept confidential. Most of the current thefts have been for little money and for property of minimal value, but the expense and inconvenience to the victim (of replacing a vehicle's window) is extremely disturbing and disruptive. Please familiarize yourself with the neighbors on your block so you can recognize immediately when a stranger is in your area and report it quickly. **Crime prevention is everyone's business.**

Always mark your property when you purchase it. This can be done simply by using a permanent pen to mark the item with your initials or a favorite doodle. Most thieves won't take the time or effort to remove these marks before selling the item. Then, search for your valuables on e-Bay, Craigslist, at local pawn shops, flea markets, or used CD & book stores. **If your identifying mark is still there, you will be able to identify and claim your property.** Remember, your familiarity with your stolen property can help you identify it. I-Pods, MP3 players, CDs, etc. usually contain personal music selections that only you can identify immediately. Cameras and video recorders may still contain your personal photographs, and cell phones will have your list of numbers on them.

When crime prevention includes the cooperation of all elements of a community, the result is an improved quality of life for all the community residents. **If you drive, bike, stroll, walk, or jog through Town** regularly, take an interest in watching for the unusual, and then report ANY irregular suspicious activity to the UPPD as soon as possible.

"Together, we can make University Park even safer!"

THE UPPD E-LIST: This e-mail service gives residents crime alerts for incidents soon after they happen. To be added to the E-List, please provide the UPPD with your name, address, address, and a contact phone number. After doing so (by mail, e-mail, or telephone), you will be added to the UPPD E-List.

REGISTRY OF SEXUAL OFFENDERS: There are registered sexual offenders in our zip code. The State of Maryland has a free sexual offender notification service for any resident; **call 1-866-559-8017** to be put on the call list or go online at the following website: <http://www.dpscs.state.md.us/onlineservs/sor/>.

UPPD, 6724 Baltimore Ave., UP, 20782 (301-277-0050 or cell: 240-375-1077; or call the **P.G. County Dispatch: 301-333-4000** and ask for a UP officer to respond). For **Chief Mike Wynnyk**, contact upchief@upmd.org or 301-277-0051. **ALL EMERGENCIES:** dial **911**.



WUADAYOUICALLEM? A group of unicorns is a blessing ♥ of cows it's a flink ♥ there's a crash of rhinos ♥ an army of frogs ♥ a mob of kangaroos ♥ a pod of whales ♥ a murder of ravens ♥ a mess of officers ♥ an exaltation of larks ♥ a congregation of alligators ♥ a culture of bacteria ♥ a bed of clams ♥ an intrusion of cockroaches ♥ a stand of flamingoes ♥ a cloud of gnats ♥ a charm of goldfinches & hummingbirds ♥ a bloaf of hippos ♥ a smack of jellyfish ♥ a cling of koalas ♥ an ambush of tigers ♥ a flight of witches ♥ and a parliament of owls!

CRIME STATISTICS (Nov 14th to Dec 31st)

DATE	CRIME	BLOCK/STREET
N/14-D/15	Theft	4400 E-W Hwy
Dec 1-2	Theft from Auto	4300 Van Buren
Dec 5th	B & E	4400 Underwd
Dec 6th	Theft from Auto	4200 Tuckrmn
Dec17-19	Theft	6700 41st Ave
Dec 23rd	Attempt B&E	6400 40th Ave
Dec23-24	Theft from Auto	6900 Oakridge
Dec 28th	Theft from Auto	6800 Pineway
Dec 31st	Theft from Auto	6400 Adelphi
Dec 31st	Theft from Auto	6400 Adelphi
Dec 31st	Theft from Auto	6400 40th Ave
Dec 31st	Theft from Auto	6500 Adelphi
Dec 31st	Theft from Auto	6500 Adelphi

Theft (Between 1:30 PM on November 14th and 1:15 PM on December 15th): Suspect/s stole a York air conditioner unit from the side of the residence. The location currently is in foreclosure and is unoccupied. No suspect/s were located.

Theft from Auto (Between 7 PM and 10 AM): Suspect/s **ENTERED AN UNLOCKED 1999 VOLVO** and **stole about \$10**. No suspect/s located.

Breaking & Entering (Between 7-11 PM): The owner arrived home and found the contents in her and her sons' bedrooms had been rummaged. The house was locked and there were some signs of forced entry by the kitchen door. It was determined that two laptops and some cash had been stolen. UPPD searched the area for suspect/s and witnesses and notified local jurisdictions of the incident. **The investigation is ongoing.**

Theft from Auto (Between 1 PM and Midnight): Suspect/s broke the driver-side rear window of a 2008 Nissan Versa and **stole a wallet** containing IDs. No suspects located.

Theft (Between 8 AM on December 17th and 11:30 AM on the 19th): Suspect/s **ENTERED THE REAR YARD** of the residence and **stole a Schwinn bicycle**. No suspect/s were located.

Attempt Breaking & Entering (Between 5:30 PM and 10 PM): An unknown person had opened an unlocked screen window at the rear of the home and raised the kitchen

window. But the window was able to be raised only about 3 inches due to a secondary locking mechanism! No suspect description was available. The area was canvassed with nothing found. Nothing was taken. **The investigation is ongoing.**

Theft from Auto (Between 10 PM and 5:40 AM): Suspect/s broke the driver-side window of a 2000 Isuzu Truck and **stole a pair of tennis shoes, a sweat suit, and a jewelry box.** No suspect/s were located.

Theft from Auto (Between 11 PM and 9 AM): Suspect/s broke the side rear window of a 2007 Toyota Highlander and **stole a wallet containing IDs and a Garmin GPS unit.** No suspect/s were located.

Theft from Auto (Between Midnight and 6 AM): Suspect/s broke the passenger-side window of a 2006 Volvo. No items were taken. At the same location, suspects broke the passenger-side window of a 2003 Volvo and **stole a satellite radio.** No suspect/s were located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto (Between Midnight and 6 AM): Suspect/s broke the passenger-side window of a 2003 BMW and **stole a briefcase** containing text books and other files. No suspect/s were located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto (Between Midnight and 6 AM): Suspect/s broke the passenger-side window of a 2001 Honda Civic and **stole an MP3 player.** No suspect/s were located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto (Between Midnight and 6 AM): Suspect/s broke the passenger-side window of a 2006 Infinity SUV and **stole a CD case containing about 150 CDs** and a pair of **sunglasses.** No suspect/s were located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto (Between Midnight and 6 AM): Suspect/s broke the passenger-side window of a 2003 Chrysler Minivan and **stole a Garmin GPS unit.** No suspect/s were located. The investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with information concerning these or any crimes committed in University Park should contact the UPPD immediately; all information will be kept strictly confidential.

♥ **PLEASE:** Remember to keep all your serial numbers and to ID all your valuable property.



FROM THE STREAM COMMITTEE

A WELLS RUN REPORT

"Working to monitor, preserve, restore, and maintain the health of Wells Run."

The **UP Stream Committee (UPSC)** has completed its priority list of problem areas where remedial action is needed for the Town Stream. **Of major concern are the drains located between Route 1 and the 44th Avenue bridge** along Wells Parkway. Repairing these drains and the resulting drainage problems will be a large budget item that may require outside funding. For these and other high erosion areas, the Committee is pursuing all possible options to fund the repairs, including grants and the possibility of being included as one of the **Anacostia Watershed Restoration Society's (AWRS)** projects (and funded through their government resources).

A **second priority area** is the serious erosion between Toledo Road and 40th Avenue near Adelphi Road. The Committee may have a solution for this problem and has engaged AWRS in discussions about UP's legal rights to intervene. **The Committee is ready to place a demonstration trash trap in the Stream.** It is hoped that will serve as a point of discussion with AWRS to grant the Committee permission to establish a permanent trash trap site, based on the expected success of the UPSC design.

In the early spring, UPSC will partner with the UP Civic Association (UPCA) in the annual "Stream Clean-UP." As part of the "Clean-UP," the **UPSC hopes to engage residents in clearing logs, rocks, and "debris dams" from the stream channel.** Also, the Committee will be seeking a few avid gardeners to assist in helping **control the invasive plants that are choking the native plants along the stream bank.** So, through a

combined effort with the UPCA, the Committee is hoping that the spring season will see major improvements in both the appearance and the functional flow of Wells Run. **ANY Town resident who would like to help instill and maintain new life in our Town Stream should contact Tom Stickles (301-864-0533).**



HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE

February 15th (Presidents' Day) is a legal Town holiday. **The Town Office will be closed** and there will be **NO bus service** or **Public Works collections**.

There **WILL BE** a make-up yard waste collection on the following **Wednesday, February 17th**.



REMEMBER TOWN SNOW POLICY

♥ When there is a chance of snow, **all parked cars should be moved to driveways** on lots that have one. With fewer vehicles parked on Town streets, our Public Works crew is able to clear them of ice and snow more effectively. *[Ed.NOTE: The more cars parked in your driveway, the less driveway there is left to shovel. If you have room, share your driveway with others until the plows have finished, and you'll gain another shoveler!]*

♥ Residents are requested to **keep their sidewalks and front walks free of snow and ice**. This thoughtful way to show consideration and possibly prevent injury benefits one's neighbors, seniors, mail carriers, public service

employees, and others. Most jurisdictions ask that sidewalks be cleared **within 24 hours after a snowfall**. Your corner neighbors have twice as much walk to shovel; why not lend them a hand. Each of the following young residents (listed on the "**UP Teen Workers List**" in the October 2009 NEWSLETTER) is available for snow removal if you need help:

Louise Ahmann (16) 301-864-3829;
Justin McPherson (16) 301-779-5249;
Kyle McPherson (18) 301-779-5249; and
Nik Ramiriz (14) 301-864-3829.



ITEMS TO NOTE

♥ **PERMIT PROCEDURE REMINDER:** It is standard operating procedure for all **UP residents planning to initiate ANY construction projects** on their property to check first with the Town Hall to determine whether a Town permit is necessary. And remember; without exception, **Town building permit applications and stamped County plans MUST be received in the Town Hall no later than 10 days before a Council meeting**. This allows time for your Ward CM to inspect the project.

♥ **UP LANDLORDS:** A rental license must be obtained by anyone intending to rent or lease a residence in University Park. All owners who reside in their home and rent to no more than one other person are exempt from the requirement. Rental licenses cost \$250 per year and provide a yearly inspection program for all licensed UP rental property. For questions about the license or law, please call the Town Office (301-927-4262).

♥ **HAVE A "♥" -- HELP STOP CRIME!** Your blue and white "UP" car sticker/s may be picked up at the Town Hall. One sticker per licensed car is available **FREE** for all University Park homeowners. All Town residents are asked to display one of these "UP" stickers on the driver's side of either their car's back bumper or low on the back window. **The**

stickers enable our Town police officers and other residents to recognize a UP vehicle immediately. Town Hall office hours are from 9 AM until 5 PM, Monday through Friday. Please bring a proof of residency.

♥ **TOWN HOT-LINES:** For Town Field status updates: 301-927-4262-x-600. For general Town Bus info: 301-927-4262-x-601.

♥ **IT'S THE LAW:** All dogs and cats must be "on a leash" when away from their owner's property. Also, all dog walkers (kids to seniors) are required to bag their pup's droppings. Bags should be disposed of in the pet owners' trash receptacles.

♥ **YARD WASTE** is collected each Monday in UP. Since yard waste is composted rather than taken to the landfill, it is important to keep it free of trash, rocks, and other debris that might damage the machinery. And NOTE: bamboo and vines (including ivy) are considered trash. Please bag vines and include with your Tuesday/Friday trash collections. To keep our Town looking beautiful, put yard waste out only the evening before collection.

♥ **BATTERY RECYCLING:** The U.S. Department of Transportation established new regulations for the handling, shipping, and transportation of dry cell batteries. So now, **ONLY Dry cell batteries weighing less than two (2) pounds** may be recycled at the UP Town Hall. Recyclers need to pad the positive (+) end of each battery with a criss-cross or strip of tape. Keeping a roll of electrical tape and small scissors near one's collection receptacle will help make the recycling preparation a snap (and ensure the batteries an uneventful journey to the recycling plant without fear of leaking, breaking, or catching on fire)!

♥ **BULK TRASH:** Visit www.upmd.org and click on "Town Info" and "Contact Us" to arrange for your Tuesday or Friday pick-up. Please wait to put items at the curb until your designated day. NOTE: A \$20 fee is assessed on each item that contains Freon, i.e. refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers...

♥ **BLUE RECYCLING TOTE** (Thursdays):

The bright blue wheeled tote for single-stream recycling is for collecting: ♥ MIXED PAPER: [Telephone books, Magazines, Boxes, Rinsed aseptic milk/juice cartons, Envelopes, Newspapers, etc.]; ♥ SOME METAL: [Aerosol cans, Aluminum foil, and Food & beverage containers of aluminum-bimetal-ferrous & iron-steel]; ♥ MANY PLASTICS: [Grocery bags, bubble wrap, shrink wrap & stretch film (all collected into one "bag ball"), Plastic glasses, cups, & tableware, Wide-mouth containers & narrow-neck containers #1-7, Flower pots, and Rx containers]; ♥ ALL GLASS [except: mirrors, light bulbs, broken glass, and windowpanes]; and ♥ ALL CLOTHES HANGERS.

Please have your blue tote ready for collection each Thursday at 7 AM in the same manner and place as your green trash tote. **We DO NOT RECYCLE:** The excepted glass listed previously ♥ Any auto parts, motor oil, or antifreeze containers ♥ Hazardous waste products ♥ Medical waste items ♥ Glass, china, or pottery tableware, & never ♥ Any (hard or soft) **STYROFOAM**.

NOTE: All food & beverage containers and other recyclables must be rinsed clean of food and grease...or not recycled.

♥ **TRASH AND RECYCLING TOTES:** Remember not to put out these items earlier than the night before your scheduled Tuesday/Friday and Thursday pick-up days. Likewise, it is each resident's responsibility to return them from the curb the same day after pick-up. Totes stored outside must be out of view from the street, at the side or back of one's home. If the most convenient place to locate your totes is a visible one, consider installing attractive wooden surrounds, barrier walls, or lattice and plants to block their view.

**"DO WHAT YOU CAN,
WITH WHAT YOU HAVE,
RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE."**

Theodore Roosevelt



UP BUS SERVICE & METRO SHUTTLE

➤ **REMINDER:** There will be no UP Bus service on **Presidents' Day, February 15th.**

Free door-to-door wheelchair-accessible bus service is available for Town senior citizens and handicapped residents who would like transportation to doctors' appointments, shopping, banking, Library or Community Center visits, club meetings, or to visit a neighbor across Town. Reserve your pick-up and return times on week days before 1 PM. Small Town groups also may use the bus for occasional excursions. **NOTE:** Please try to make bus reservations one week in advance so the driver's schedule may be arranged accordingly. Remember, destinations should be within about 5 miles of Town.

Each Tuesday at 10 AM, the Town Bus makes a trip to the Giant grocery store on East-West Highway across from the Plaza. Senior or handicapped residents interested in this **FREE door-to-door service** simply need to notify the Town Hall (301-927-4262) by Monday, the day before you wish to shop.

A **UP Metro shuttle service** runs on the half hour each weekday morning and afternoon from numerous stops in Town to and from the PG Plaza Metro Station. There are **seven morning runs from 6-9 AM** and **eight afternoon runs from 4:05-7:35 PM.** Get a map (showing the stops) at the Town Hall or at www.upmd.org under "Other Documents."



[Ed. NOTE: "Highlights" of the minutes from monthly UP Council Meetings and Work Sessions are not complete official records. Residents always are welcome to review the complete Council minutes after they are typed and returned to the Town Hall. Please call 301-927-4262 for more information.]



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DECEMBER 7th COUNCIL MEETING

Present were Mayor Tabori; Council Members (CMs) Carey, Lucas, Mallino, McPherson, and Toscano; Chief Wynnyk; and Ms. Linda Perlman, Bond Counsel for UP.

During **Public Comment**, a Van Buren Street resident complimented the Town on completing the street-tree survey. She also expressed concern that a gum tree planted close to a storm drain in the Town right-of-way by another resident might clog the drain with seed pods as it matures. The Mayor will look at the tree, which should not have been planted on Town property.

Mayor Tabori reported on four items: (1) The WSSC contractor, **Schumer, Inc., had started the water line replacement work on Clagett Road.** Work will stop each evening at 4 PM and equipment will be stored on the paved leaf pad area by the Wells Parkway tennis courts; (2) The State Highway Administration (**SHA**) **had money for road work at Rte. 410 and Queens Chapel Road as well as Rte. 1.** All of Rte 1 is to be milled and overlaid from Albion Road (in College Park (CP) opposite the Town Hall) to Rte. 410; (3) **The Historic District determination had been postponed** pending the outcome of the Ward 7 special election. The Mayor expressed concerns about some inaccurate statements that had been advanced as part of the purported history of the area in question -- especially the date when Ward 7 was incorporated into the municipal jurisdiction of UP; and (4) **The Town Bus would be available** on December 10, 2009 to UP residents wishing to testify about the Belcrest Plaza development at the 10 AM meeting to be held in Upper Marlboro.

Chief Wynnyk reported that: (1) The UPPD was still **waiting to hear the status of the grant applications** for enforcement and for new 700 MHZ police radios. The Mayor also was still awaiting notice of the \$13,000 State

of MD grant; (2) The UPPD was going to participate with the Hyattsville Police Department in the **"Shop With a Cop"** program for underprivileged children, in which three UPES children were participating; and (3) Lt. Bacon had announced his retirement from the UPPD effective on January 29, 2010.

Re the Belcrest Plaza Project (BPP): Mayor Tabori commended the M-NCPPC planner **Ms. Susan LaReuse** for leading the planning board review process for the BPP. He also expressed appreciation for the **BPP development team** for having come to a better understanding about the concerns of UP and Hyattsville (HY), especially in the area of storm water management.

The Mayor and Council then discussed five crucial remaining issues with the BPP: (1) the **Storm Water Management Concept Plan**, (2) **traffic study** deficiencies, (3) the **impact of a 31-story tower** on UP's viewshed and the CP Airport's flight path, (4) the **impact of a FIVE-fold increase** in density on schools, public transportation systems & traffic, and local recreation facilities, and (5) the **impact of Toledo Road** becoming fully activated!

Mayor Tabori said his Traffic Data Analysis showed a **300% increase in Rte. 1 traffic**. During morning rush hour, **Adelphi Road would see a 75% increase southbound and 35% increase northbound**; with the numbers reversing in the evening rush hour. Discussion ensued on how to sharpen concerns about Toledo Road being activated and its effect on the economic health of the University Town Center (UTC) and PG Plaza.

A motion was approved unanimously to **recommend disapproval of DSP-09006 and to state the reasons for disapproval in a letter** to be submitted to the Planning Board no later than December 10, 2009.

A motion was approved unanimously (second reading) to **adopt Ordinance 09-O-12 (Approving general obligation financing for funding the past service cost of entering the**

State Retirement and Pension System of MD). *(Ms. Linda Perlman reviewed the Ordinance. She said settlement would be by the end of the year, assuming there was no referendum. There would be no penalty for pre-payment and SunTrust Bank would place the bond. The Mayor thanked the Council for their questions, assistance, and patience during the 2-year process of entering the Town into the State Retirement & Pension System. He added that since the Town voted to enter the Plan, Chief Wynnyk had received many more calls of interest from officers asking about possible UPPD vacancies.)*

A motion was passed unanimously to **approve Zoning Variance Appeal V-79-09** (To validate and obtain a permit for an 8-foot high non-conforming arbor gate) at 4004 Underwood Street. A variance of 3-foot side lot line setback was requested, which might be modified to a 4-foot setback. *(The owner explained that the swinging gate was 4-feet high and the top posts of the gate were 5-feet high.)*

A motion was approved unanimously to **replace a 5-foot non-conforming wooden fence** at 4004 Underwood Street. *(An updated revalidated County permit would need to be obtained before the Town could issue the permit. Attorney Ferguson said her review of the applicable legislation on fences met the "similar" criteria of the law, so a Town variance was not required in this instance.)*

A motion was approved to **install a 4-ft wooden picket fence** at 6525 40th Avenue.

A motion was passed unanimously to approve the application **for an on-street, six-month parking waiver for up to three vehicles** at the rental property at 6703 41st Avenue.

CM Lucas had questions about the Energy Grant application's regulations. He also was **concerned with how extensive the application's information was and how quickly the Town must respond**. Mr. Chuck Wilson, who brought the grant to the Council's attention acknowledged the concerns about

the speed of the proposal versus the proposal's complexity.

CM Mallino also saw a number of **red flags in the Grant's paperwork**, specifically: (1) the storage space needed for bulk purchases and distributions of composters, (2) that there was little Town control over expediting permits, (3) there was an unclear picture of how the benefits accrue and to whom, under the Grant's solar co-op shares provision, (4) that the Town must work with Pepco on the matter of street lighting, (5) that the Town previously had not pre-approved contractors or recommended realtors, which could open the Town to liability, and (6) she had concern whether or not there was sufficient space for the Grant's administrative work that would be required of the Town staff!

A motion to approve the application for an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Grant to the US Department of Energy, by the December 14th deadline **FAILED** (with CMs Carey and O'Connor voting YEA and **CMs Lucas, Mallino, McPherson, and Toscano voting NAY**).

Two motions were passed unanimously to: (1) **approve the 2010 UP Council Meeting Schedule**, and (2) **approve a special holiday compensation of \$300** net of deductions for 2009 for each current active employee as of December 1, 2009.

A motion was passed unanimously to approve the application from WSSC to excavate, reline, or replace the sewer mains and connections at 6811 - 6903 Adelphi Road, 4304-4316 Clagett Road, the 4100 block of Tennyson Road, and 3900 and 3901 Underwood Street. *(Mayor Tabori said the work would take one day for relining and an additional day if the line must be reconnected to the home. There could be no flushing toilets or taking showers for half a day to a full day for the homes where the work is being done.)*

A motion was passed to **approve as emergency legislation, the introduction of Legislation Resolution and Budget Ordinance**

09-O-14 (To receive \$1,061,692.00 as income and disperse to the State Retirement Agency said amounts to be recorded under debt service). Meeting adjourned: 10 PM.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DECEMBER 11th SPECIAL SESSION

Present were Mayor Tabori; Council Members (CMs) Carey, Lucas, Mallino, McPherson, O'Connor, and Toscano.

At 5 PM, CMs Lucas, Toscano, Mallino, and McPherson addressed the Council, Mayor, and attendees.

A motion was passed unanimously to **approve the grant application to the U.S. Department of Energy to implement a Sequential, Transformative Energy Program for University Park**, subject to the following considerations: (1) that it be edited appropriately prior to submittal; (2) prior to accepting the grant, there be a public hearing on implementation of the Project, where continuing Council and community concerns may be addressed; and (3) if and when the grant is awarded, the Council act either to accept or not accept the funds awarded. And that the Mayor, upon his satisfaction that the proposal adequately meets the Town's requirements, be authorized to submit the grant application on behalf of the Town by the December 14th deadline. The meeting adjourned at 7 PM.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DECEMBER 21st COUNCIL MEETING

Present were Mayor Tabori; Council Members (CMs) Carey, Lucas, Mallino, McPherson, and Toscano; Chief Wynnyk, Treasurer Baden, UPPWD Director Beall, and Attorney Ferguson; and Town resident Tom Stickles speaking for the Stream Committee.

Under Public Comment: CM Lucas asked if the Town owned a snow blower that could clear the Route 1 sidewalks, which were blocked dangerously with snow. The Mayor said when the snow was packed on the Rte. 1 sidewalks by plows it became icy, and the blower was not effective in that situation.

Mayor Tabori reported that our Public Works Department employees were on duty the entire weekend to meet the challenges of our **first major snowstorm**, but added that the Town's ability to improve the road conditions was compromised greatly by a lack of road salt. The organizations with whom UP had contracted for road salt were unable to meet our demand for salt over the snowy weekend.

There also were problems when cars were parked on the Town's roadways, which prevented the plows from clearing the roads adequately. [Ed.NOTE: With cars parked on both sides of the road, the plow is not able to clear all the way to the curb on either side. And even with single-sided parking, plowing to the curb only on one side leaves a snow pile blocking part of the street. This creates a dilemma because replowing to remove the pile and widen the street clearing after the cars move, means there will be justified complaints from residents who will have to re-dig out their driveways again. **The best solution? Make every effort to park all cars in driveways or elsewhere before snowfalls.**]

Legislation allowing the Town to declare a snow emergency was considered, along with declaring "No Parking" areas, or allowing parking on only one side of narrow streets. But concern was raised for the areas where lots had no driveways, making it very difficult for those residents to clear the street of cars.

UPPWD Director Beall reported that, although he thought the Department had done an adequate job of snow removal, there were several areas where improvement was needed. He planned to follow up on this to provide even better snow-removal performance during future storms.

Chief Wynnyk reported that: (1) five of the agencies listed in the following motion (Bladensburg, Hyattsville, Mount Rainier, Riverdale Park, and University Park) had been operating under a Memorandum of Understanding for about eight years. The more formal "Agreement" in the motion would protect UPPD officers who take police actions across jurisdictional lines.

A motion was passed unanimously to approve a **Mutual Aid Agreement between University Park and Bladensburg, Edmonston, Greenbelt, Hyattsville, Laurel, Mount Rainier, and Riverdale Park** ("signatory agencies/jurisdictions");

(2) the **Chief thanked Director Beall** for helping reunite a father with his lost toddler after the child had wandered out of his home; and (3) as to **speed cameras**, the Chief said a County meeting to discuss them had been postponed until January 2010. Mayor Tabori said the earliest that speed camera legislation could be adopted in UP would be **February 2010**.

A motion was passed unanimously to approve the adoption of **Legislation Resolution and Budget Ordinance 09-O-14** (To receive \$1,061,692.00 as income and disperse to the State Retirement Agency said amounts to be recorded under debt service). *(Treasurer Baden noted that the requested amount had been increased by \$44,000 due to the bond fund interest charge. He explained that six-month's interest, from July 1st to December 31, 2009, was due when the bond is issued. Attorney Ferguson pointed out that the amendments needed to be added to the Ordinance, and on page 1 of the Ordinance, the money amount needed to be updated from \$1,000 to \$44,000.)*

A motion was approved unanimously for an application to **install two 28"x58" windows** at 4204 Van Buren Street.

Mr. Tom Stickles informed the Mayor and Council that the Stream Committee had spent the past six months clarifying issues

that impact on our Town Stream (that portion of Wells Run that flows through UP). He said the Committee had identified 27 projects that would improve the water quality and ecology of the Stream and its surrounding area. The projects were divided into Major, Mid-Major, and Minor categories. Major projects were ones that would necessitate design plans and permits from the County or the Army Corps of Engineers. Minor projects were those that could be done by volunteers, like removing invasive species growing by the stream banks.

A **motion** was passed unanimously **approving a request for a meeting of the Mayor, the UPPWD Director, the Stream Committee Chair, and the Council Liaison** to the Stream Committee, to be held in advance of the January 25, 2010 Council Meeting, **for the purpose of developing a working budget and guidelines** for the commitment of public resources and personnel in support of the Stream Committee's goals and objectives, **and for preparing the said budget and guidelines for submission to the Town Council** for action. The meeting adjourned at 9 PM.



NEW LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

On January 4, 2010, **Ordinance 10-O-01** was introduced. This ordinance would amend Chapter 9 "Traffic and Vehicles," Article 1 "Traffic," by adding Section 9-109 "Speed Monitoring System," **to authorize a speed monitoring system for school zones**. The meeting set for **February 22, 2010** is the first meeting at which the ordinance could be adopted.

On February 1, 2010, Ordinance 10-O-02 was introduced. This ordinance would **amend the Fiscal Year 2010 budget** to include adjustments that reflect current and additional revenue and expenditure items and new line items. The meeting set for **February 22, 2010** is the first meeting at which the ordinance could be adopted.



OBITUARY

THEODORE HAROLD SCHORR, 86, a University Park resident from 2004-2006, died of pancreatic cancer on June 24th, 2009, while under hospice care in Asheville, North Carolina. Ted had moved to Black Mountain, North Carolina in 2006 with his wife, Jackie Wintle, a UP resident for 33 years and Ward 6 Council Member from 1999-2003.

Ted was born on June 14, 1923, in Houston, Texas, the youngest child of Max and Minnie Schorr. After graduating "with highest honors" from Stephen F. Austin High School in Houston, Ted entered the work world in Houston, first as a draftsman for an architect and then at the Brown Shipbuilding Company. In 1944, he enlisted in the Navy and served on an aircraft carrier in the Pacific.

After the war, Ted returned to Houston and worked briefly for the Schlumberger (oil field services) Company before moving to Los Angeles, California, where he "diversified": working as a design engineer (in hydraulics) for Baker Oil Tools, taking evening art classes at Chouinard Art Institute, and later, establishing his own product development company, Plastic Model Engineering. In 1974, he moved to Eugene, Oregon, where he worked for several companies, notably Spectra-Physics where he designed optical scanners. Ted was an ultra-creative problem solver. He had been the architectural designer for the Baker Oil Tools headquarters in Los Angeles and for several private residences, including his own, and he had received several patents before he retired in 1990.

Ted loved to travel and had seen much of the world, having visited all seven continents. And, it was when he was participating in an Elderhostel trip to South America that Ted met his second wife, Jackie, who also was widowed. (Jackie and her first husband Jim Longest, also a former Town resident and Council Member, had lived at 6806 40th Avenue.)

Helping others always was important to Ted. With his first wife Millie Schorr, he served as a host parent for foreign students attending the University of Oregon. After he retired, Ted tutored many foreign-born students. And, even during the two years he lived in University Park, he participated in a literacy project through the Hyattsville Branch Library working with three very different students: a blind student who succeeded in getting his GED and becoming eligible for employment, and two foreign students of different ethnicities who he tutored in basic English.

After moving to Black Mountain, Ted and Jackie volunteered together with the Literacy Council of Buncombe County and with the Asheville Habitat for Humanity. Ted also enjoyed other diversions, such as drafting and editing a collection of short stories he was writing, and staying busy with his list of "handy-man-around-the-house" projects. Having always maintained a strong interest in environmental issues, Ted was a man who sought to walk gently on the earth. He also had made a personal commitment to read the Bible from cover to cover every year. Jackie said his marker was at Jeremiah 12, the last section he read in 2009.

Ted was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Fay Schorr Tanack, and his first wife Mildred Calhoon Schorr. Survivors include his wife Mary Jack (Jackie) Wintle of Black Mountain; two daughters from his first marriage, Becky Schorr (and husband Andrew Clancy) of Atlanta, Georgia, and Wendy Schorr (and husband Gregory Doane) of Deerfield, New Hampshire; his brother Yale (and Evelyn) Schorr of Houston, Texas; and many nephews, nieces, and cousins. Burial services were officiated by hospice chaplain Father Noel Hickie and Rabbi Jonathan Seidel on June 29/30, 2009, in Eugene, Oregon. A memorial service was conducted by Reverend Steve Runholt on August 1, 2009, in Swannanoa, North Carolina.

Those who wish, may make a donation "In memory of Theodore Harold Schorr" to:

The Nature Conservancy, 4245 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 100, Arlington, Virginia 22203 or to a favorite environmental organization. For friends who might like to contact Jackie, please write to her at 46 Timber Park Drive, Black Mountain, NC 28711-9460.



CONGRATULATIONS

♥ To **Justin Donnelly**, a former resident of Underwood Street now living in D.C., who received his M.A. in architecture from the University of Maryland College Park in December 2009. Justin authored a thesis designed to alleviate pressure on Chesapeake Bay Blue Crab fisheries by growing hatchery-raised blue crab juveniles on inland plots of land on the Eastern Shore. He worked closely with scientists at the University of Maryland Biotechnology Institute to understand blue crab biology and create an artificial system that could accommodate their unique set of environmental requirements. Justin had graduated from St. Anselm's Abbey School in 1998 and received his B.A. from Stanford in 2002.

Justin is now a project manager with the Coakley-Williams Construction Company, which just completed the new Marriott Hall addition for St. Alban's School. The building received a rave review from Philip Kennicott in the December 13, 2009 *Washington Post* (www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/12/11/AR2009121100036.html). At present, Justin is working on the Coakley-Williams' Metro project in Bowie. And though he does live in D.C., he can be found in UP enjoying an occasional "home-cooked meal..."

♥ To **Jacqueline Bradley Chacón**, the new Ward 7 Council Member who was elected on December 29, 2009 to complete the term of former CM Ed DeSaussure. Jacqueline moved to Underwood Street in 2004 with her husband **Cesar Korzeniewicz** ("**Alex**") and their two children, 9-year-old **Maria** (who is a Junior Girl Scout in Troop 1176) and 7-year-

old **Miguel**. Both children attend University Park Elementary School; Maria is in Mr. Booker's 4th grade class and Miguel is in Ms. Duffy's 1st grade class.

Jacqueline was born in El Salvador and raised in California. She grew up in the East Bay Area, 45 minutes from San Francisco and 10 minutes south of Oakland, in a town called San Lorenzo. She met her husband when they both were students at the University of California campus in Santa Cruz (that is centered in a redwood forest) -- "a beautiful place to study and live!" She received her undergraduate degree in politics from UCSC and her Juris Doctor from the Georgetown University Law Center.

While in college, Jacqueline helped organize a Central American Refugee Committee (a community self-help group) of Salvadoran and Guatemalan refugees who had fled civil war in their countries. When she worked at the Institute for Policy Studies' Third World Women's Project, she organized speaking tours for women leaders from many different developing countries...Brazil, Egypt, Nicaragua, to name a few. She has been a paralegal for National Public Radio, has worked for the federal government, for private immigration practitioners, and for non-profit organizations like the United Methodist Justice-for-Our-Neighbors program. Currently, she is working independently as an immigration attorney.

Jacqueline and Alex moved to their home in UP from an apartment in Cleveland Park across the street from the National Zoo. Occasionally, they could hear the lions roar in the distance; and when Maria was born, they enjoyed many many strolls at the Zoo. But after Miguel was born, they wanted a home and chose the one in UP near Alex's brother Patricio Korzeniewicz, a UM sociology professor, and sister-in-law Nancy Forsythe who live nearby in College Heights Estates. Jacqueline says they've "really enjoyed University Park and are very grateful for the tranquility of the community and the services it offers residents, especially the Town shuttle which Alex

rides daily." She adds that they "are very privileged to have our children attend University Park Elementary School. UPES stands out because of its parent and community support and wonderful teachers and staff."

Jacqueline is especially excited about becoming Ward 7's Council Member. She said after attending her first Council Meeting, and learning "first hand" about Town and County permit processes, she heard about the Council opening and decided to run for the office to represent Ward 7. "Just the process of collecting signatures to become a candidate was a wonderful experience in meeting new neighbors and discovering more about the people in our community. I see this Council service as an opportunity to learn about the community, about decision making at the grassroots level, about municipal legal issues, and a chance to have many more new and unexpected experiences while giving back to the community, in short -- an adventure!"

She hopes her Ward 7 neighbors will feel free to call her or stop her in the neighborhood to say hello and chat about things that concern them. You also might find her digging in the dirt as an amateur gardener, riding her bike with her daughter, enjoying swimming and dancing, or just sitting in the sunshine. Jacqueline says that her "Utopian vision about the ideal place to live is in a community that is peaceful, friendly, and environmentally healthy...like UP!"



COMMUNITY WISH LIST

♥ **AZALEA CLASSIC NOTICE:** All UP residents and UP Elementary School families are invited to **help with the Azalea Classic planning** by contacting Sarah Elder (301-927-8006 or elder_yde@msn.com). Meetings will be held on Wednesday, **February 17th**, from 7-8:30 PM in the UPES Media Center. A March meeting will be on Wednesday, **March 17th**, same time and place!



FEBRUARY FUN WITH CPAE

All College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) **EVENTS ARE FREE** and are held at the College Park Old Parish House (corner of Knox Road and Dartmouth Avenue) UNLESS otherwise noted. For more information, to register, or to remit fees for special activities, please contact 301-927-3013 or info@cpae.org; or, you may visit www.cpae.org for more information.

♥ The **College Park Youth Choir and Vocetti** will begin its spring semester on Tuesday, **February 2nd**. Young singers ages 6-12 rehearse each Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 PM at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (4512 College Avenue, CP) under the high-energy direction of UPES music teacher Chris Fominaya. The Choir performs several times each year at nearby venues. Those interested in joining this fun and educational experience should please call for registration information.

♥ Come "**Learn the Basics of Latin Dance!**" on Saturdays, **February 6th & 13th** from 3:30-5 PM. The "Ballroom at Maryland" dancers will introduce you to swing and Latin dance. Bring a friend; share the fun! (\$5/class)

♥ The CPAE Cultural Connections series has arranged for a vibrant "**Middle Eastern Dance Concert.**" On **February 12th** from 7:30 to 9 PM, local dancers will treat you to a fantastic display of Raqs Sharqi (the traditional dance form of Egypt) as well as tribal belly dancing and tribal fusion dancing.

♥ On Sunday, **February 14th** at 3 PM, the Blue Sky Puppet Theatre will present "**Rufus,**" a great story for the day of Love (about a loveable lost pup with a Valentine red nose). Since 1974, when the Blue Sky Puppet Theatre first was created by **Michael Cotter** of Van Buren Street, and since 1980, when Michael and his wife **Judith Cayo Cotter** refocused the theatre only for children and families, Blue Sky has become the epitome of touring puppet-theatre entertainment for child-

ren, performing over 1,000 SRO shows each year! Plan now for a fun-filled family afternoon with your kids at this high-quality event ideal for ages 3 and older; all children must be accompanied by an adult. **NOTE: Registration is highly recommended** as space is limited.

♥ "**Kids Art Drop-In**" & "**Read Across America**" Combo - On Sunday, **February 28th** from 2-4 PM, celebrate reading with Dr. Seuss characters and other paper bag puppets. Arts Specialist Aaron Springer is orchestrating this high-quality event ideal for ages 3 and older and an accompanying adult. Registration is suggested because of space limitations.



ENTERTAINMENT AROUND TOWN

♥ **UP's Active Cultures Theatre** will conclude its presentation of "**The Constellation**" at Joe's Movement Emporium (3309 Bunker Hill Road, Mt. Rainier) on: **February 4th-5th & 11th-12th** at 7:30 PM, **February 6th & 13th** at 4 PM & 7:30 PM, and **February 7th and 14th** at 4 PM. Set in Baltimore's Inner Harbor and full of local flavor, the comedy explores the unpredictable yet magnificent role that an urban historical monument can play in our everyday lives. Suitable for all ages, the fee is \$20, with a half-price reduction for seniors, students, and groups. For reservations or more information, please contact Underwood Street resident Mary Resing (*artistic director@activecultures.org* or 301-526-9921).

♥ **The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC)** (123 Centerway, beneath the Co-op Grocery Store; www.greenbeltartscenter.org or 301-441-8770) holds performances on Fridays & Saturdays at 8 PM and on Sundays at 2 PM.

♥ From **February 4th-6th**, come and enjoy "**Planes, Trains & Automobiles,**" Thunderous Productions' evening of one-act plays. A ticket will take you in five directions! This set of five plays blends comedy and drama while on or around various means of transportation.

♥ On **February 26th-28th**, mark your calendars for **"Greenbelt Voices,"** Transition Theater's staged collection of Greenbelt stories written by and about the Greenbelt community. Various monologues, ranging from dramatic to comedic, develop into a snapshot of how lives are affected by the town and its residents, workers, and volunteers.

♥ **The UM Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center (CSPAC)** offers a wide range of free and ticketed world-class performances. For more information, reservations, or a catalog of the 09-10 season, please contact www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu or 301-405-2787.

♥ CSPAC is presenting **3 events** focused on **Yin Yu Tang, a Chinese home** that was deconstructed, then reassembled at the Peabody Essex Museum in 2003, allowing millions to enter what 8 generations of the Huang family in China had called "home." The Kronos Quartet and Wu Man's new multimedia piece was inspired by the rooms of the home and what may have occurred in them over the years. "A Chinese Home" includes costume changes and a great variety of instruments, some of which were constructed *especially for the piece* by McArthur fellow Walter Kitundu! The music spans epochs, flavored by Chinese folk songs, propaganda anthems from the Mao era, and Shanghai jazz, all complemented by the live staging and video elements of famed director Chen Shi-Zheng.

• **"The Essence of Home"** on **February 8th** at 7 PM in Gildenhorn Recital Hall - A discussion with Ronit Eisenback (UM/Architecture) and Nancy Berliner (Yin Yu Tang curator) and moderated by Liz Lerman, about the home's inspiration for pita virtuoso Wu Man and the Kronos (String) Quartet. **FREE**

• **"Yin Yu Tang: Its Architecture and Daily Life"** on **February 12th** at 7 PM in the School of Music room 2200 - Take a virtual tour of the Chinese Home with its Museum curator -- travel room by room, generation by generation, exploring the culture and tradition reflected in its architecture. **FREE**

• **"A Chinese Home"** and additional works on **February 12th** at 8 PM in Kay Theatre - The Kronos Quartet and Wu Man, Pipa, reunite to reflect on Yin Yu Tang's displacement and migration from personal to public in an exquisite multimedia presentation. *(A post-performance "Talk Back" has been arranged with the artists.)*

♥ **"Hotel Cassiopeia"** on **February 12th-13th & February 19th** at 8 PM, **February 14th** at 2 PM, **February 17th-18th** at 7:30 PM, and **February 20th** at 2 PM & 8 PM in Kogod Theatre - The successful collaboration of the UM Theatre Department and the Round House Theatre offers a play centered on artist Joseph Cornell, who lived a magical "life of the mind" in his mother's basement in Queens, caring for his invalid brother and collecting the castaway items he used to create his artistic "boxes." Playwright Charles Mee wonders what the boxes might have to say -- about art and America, compassion and longing, more.

♥ Take Five Tuesday's **"Afro Bop Alliance"** on **February 16th** at 5:30 PM in the Gildenhorn Recital Hall - Watch this Grammy-winning jazz septet from Annapolis demonstrate how the rhythms of West Africa and Cuba and the sophisticated melodic and harmonic structures of jazz come together. *NOTE: Each "Take Five Tuesday" is part of an interactive and informal series offering an opportunity to explore a wide range of performing arts.* **FREE**

♥ **"The UM Repertoire Orchestra"** on **February 22nd** at 8 PM in the Dekelbourn Concert Hall - This all-campus group welcomes soprano Nicole Aldrich and guest conductor James Stern to perform: Mozart's Overture to "The Marriage of Figaro," his tender soprano air *Ruhe Sanft* from "Zaide," and the aria for soprano and orchestra *Schon lacht der holde Fruhling*; Borodin's *Polovetsian Dances* from "Prince Igor"; and Beethoven's "Symphony No.7 in A Major." **FREE**

♥ Take Five's **"The Snark Ensemble (Cons, Lovers, and Dancing Pants)"** on **February 23rd** at 5:30 PM in Gildenhorn Recital

Hall -Delight in Snark's original new scores for three zany 1920 silent films: Laurel and Hardy in "Liberty," Harry Langdon's wartime misadventures in "All Night Long," and Charlie Bowers' wacky comedy in "There It Is! **FREE**

♥ The Publick Playhouse in Cheverly (5445 Landover Road 301-277-1710; TTY: 301-277-0312) offers two plays for pre-teens.

♥ On Tuesday, **February 23rd** at 10:15 AM and NOON, "**Buffalo Soldier**," named one of the "Best American Plays for Young Audiences," is based on the life of our nation's longest-surviving Buffalo Soldier and Spanish-American War veteran. It tells the true story of the brave soldiers of the 9th & 10th Cavalries who served our Country well with little of the recognition they deserved. Also, it's the only play to have been performed at the Pentagon. Recommended for ages 8 & older. (\$6)

♥ On Friday, **February 26th** at 10:15 AM and NOON, Mad River Theater Works will present "**The Jackie Robinson Story**," showing the events that shaped Jackie Robinson's character, his struggle to gain acceptance, and the tremendous obstacles he overcame on his way to changing the face of our nation and its national pastime. In early 1947, TV was brand new, the sound barrier had not been broken, and baseball was a white man's game. When fall arrived, all that had changed. President Truman spoke on TV for the first time, Chuck Yeager flew faster than time, and Jackie Robinson had become the first African-American to play major league baseball. Recommended for ages 8 and older. (\$6)

♥ The **Platinum Series for Seniors** will return on Tuesday, March 9th at 11 AM with "*Ira Blount: The Common Threads That Bind.*"



»» The whole difference between construction and creation is exactly this: That a thing constructed can be loved only after it is constructed; but a thing created is loved before it exists." ♥

Gilbert Keith Chesterton



SOARING INTO FEBRUARY

The **College Park Aviation Museum** (1985 Corporal Frank Scott Drive, CP, 301-864-6029) will offer a film, three short plays, and home-school day! Museum hours are daily, 10 AM-5 PM; all children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, please contact 301-864-6029/TTY 301-864-4765 or www.collegeparkaviationmuseum.com.

♥ On February **5th** and each "**First Friday**," the Museum is open until 9 PM!

♥ **Hollywood Flyers** - Plan now for a Sunday afternoon at the movies! CPAM's famous films series features Hollywood blockbusters, classics, and documentaries with a flight theme. All movies begin at 1 PM and lemonade, popcorn, and the movie are all **FREE with Museum admission.** → → → **FWMA**

On **February 7th**, the featured film will be "**Catch Me If You Can**," based on the life of *Frank Abagnale, Jr. who, before he was 19, successfully conned millions of dollars in checks as a Pan Am pilot, doctor, and lawyer.*

♥ **Home-School Day** - On Monday, **February 8th** from 11 AM to 2 PM, home-schooled students ages 7 and older and their parent-educators are invited to the Museum for a day of learning and adventure. Aviation-themed activities and crafts will address learning in the areas of language, science, math, and art. **Pre-registration required (\$4).**

♥ On Saturday, **February 20th** from 2 to 3:30 PM, the Hugh Gregory Gallagher Motivational Theatre will perform "**Flying High**," three monologues describing the lives of aviation pioneers who overcame physical, mental, and developmental disabilities or discrimination to make a statement in life, as did H.G. Gallagher.

In ***My Proudest Moment***, Anne Morrow Lindbergh overcame shyness, fear of flying, and personal tragedy to partner with her

famous husband and chart world-wide air routes. In ***My Spirit Lives On***, Bessie Coleman, though born into poverty, became the first African-American woman to earn a US pilot's license and open doors for others to enter aviation careers. In ***Standing Tall, Flying High***, Neil Loving opened a flying school 18 months after he lost both legs below the knee in a glider crash as a young man, and then he designed, built, and flew five experimental planes.

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FEBRUARY'S ARTFUL AFTERNOON

On Sunday, **February 7th**, Greenbelt's monthly **Artful Afternoon** will amaze you with their "Earth and Sky" theme! From 1-3 PM, come early, and get "grounded" for a hands-on workshop with Artist-in-Residence Karen Arrington as you **learn the traditional African art of "mud-cloth painting."** At 3 PM, be mesmerized as the **"Fabulous Chinese Acrobats"** reach for the sky as they perform amazing feats of balance, flexibility, coordination, and strength. The troupe is accompanied by an interpreter sharing information about Chinese culture, customs, history, and school life. From 1-4 PM, Greenbelt's artists-in-residence hold studio open houses when the art gallery and historical exhibits room are open. And from 1-5 PM, the **Greenbelt Historic Home** docents offer wonderfully-informative house tours of life in the 30s and 40s (\$3). For Arts questions, call 301-397-2208; for more about the Historic Home tour, call 301-507-6582.



YEAR-ROUND FARMERS MARKET

♥ You can eat locally YEAR-ROUND by shopping at the **Takoma Park Farmers Market** (6900 block of Laurel Avenue). For their 27th year, this producers-only market is offering produce grown locally within a 125-mile radius. It is open every Sunday from 10 AM to 2

PM. To see what is available at the 23 stalls, please visit www.takomaparkmarket.com.



PGPCC FEBRUARY FUN

During February, the **Prince George's Plaza Community Center** (6600 Adelphi Road, by the Library, 301-864-1611/TTY 301-445-4512) will host a 2-part film, ♥ fun, Jeopardy, and a Globetrotter! Free ID cards for kids/srs.

♥ For Black History month, ages 13 and older are invited to view a 2-part ESPN film series. **"Black Magic"** will be screened from 6-8 PM on M&T, **February 8th & 9th**. *Samuel L. Jackson and jazz musician Wynton Marsalis narrate this look at the tumultuous civil rights movement through the lens of basketball and the lives & challenges of African-American players Avery Johnson, Ben Wallace, Pee Wee Kirkland, and others.* **FREE** with a Center ID.

♥ **Red & White Valentine's Kiddie Cabaret** on Saturday, **February 13th** from 1-4 PM: Children ages 4-12 are invited to enjoy music, dancing, fun, and refreshments! "And don't forget to wear red and white!" (\$2 fee)

♥ Fun for Everyone: Come celebrate Black History Month with basketball legend and world-renowned **Ex-Harlem Globetrotter, Spencer "Spinny" Johnson**. On Saturday, **February 20th** from NOON to 3 PM, all ages are invited to enjoy Spinny's trick shot artistry and hear about his experiences. (Also enjoy some basketball trivia...for prizes!) **FREE** w/Center ID card.

♥ All ages are invited to come and play **Black History Jeopardy!** on Thursday, **February 25th** from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Test how well YOU know black history facts by playing this intergenerational trivia-style game. Prizes will be awarded and the winner will be crowned the "2010 Black History Jeopardy Champion!" **FREE** w/Center ID card.



GREAT DECISIONS 2010

All Town residents are invited to join Great Decisions 2010, an 8-part discussion series offered for groups by the Foreign Policy Association. The FPA is an independent, non-governmental, non-partisan organization that promotes foreign policy education. The group meets bi-monthly on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays from 7:30-9 PM at University Park Church of the Brethren. Dates and topics include:

♥ **February 11th - *Special Envoys:*** Special envoys can help bring attention and diplomatic muscle to resolve conflicts and global challenges but they also bring their own "special" problems. Will the Obama administration's reliance on special envoys increase the ability of the United States to deal with major international issues or complicate its diplomatic options?

♥ **February 25th - *Kenya & R2P:*** Post-election rioting in Kenya in December 2007 brought pressure on Nairobi (from international and regional diplomats) to end tensions and avert bloodshed on a massive scale. What lessons can be learned from the intervention in Kenya? What does it mean for the UN's emerging responsibility to protect doctrine?

♥ **March 11th - *Global Crime:*** From the booming sex trade in Eastern Europe -- to online fraud syndicates in Africa -- to the drug cartels of Asia and Central America, crime is becoming increasingly organized and globalized. How can countries better protect citizens seeking the benefits of a globalized world from being exploited? What international actors can effectively fight global organized crime?

♥ **March 25th - *US-China Security Relations:*** China's influence is growing, along with its military expenditures. How will this growth affect China's relations with its neighbors and with the U.S.? Will China's expanding military and economic power affect traditional U.S. roles and U.S. alliances in East

Asia? How will countries like Japan, South Korea, and India respond?

♥ **April 8th - *Global Financial Crisis:*** The global financial crisis that began in late 2007 revealed major deficiencies in the regulation of markets and institutions, all of which came perilously close to collapse. Emergency measures to prevent a full collapse of the global financial system have led to mixed results. How will governments and the world community respond to this challenge?

♥ **April 22nd - *Russia and Its Neighbors:*** Russia's policy of maintaining a "sphere of influence" in former Soviet satellites has been challenged in recent years by movements against pro-Russia regimes. Russia has pushed back by cutting Ukraine's natural gas supply and intervening in Georgia's campaign in South Ossetia. Will Russia regain its traditional leadership role in the region?

♥ **May 13th - *The Persian Gulf:*** Now more than ever, the Persian Gulf region offers many difficult challenges to U.S. policy-makers. How will Obama's direct appeal to Arabs and Muslims impact U.S. foreign policy in the region? What will the fallout of withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq be? Can the U.S. and its allies prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons?

♥ **May 27th - *Peace building & Conflict Resolution:*** U.S. campaigns in Iraq and Afghanistan have shown that military force alone cannot ensure peace in all conflicts. How can the U.S. successfully integrate the tools of peace-building into its statecraft? At what point do poverty, disease, and climate change threaten national security? What role can non-governmental actors play in supporting government-led efforts?

This series affords a friendly, informal way to learn more about the foreign policy of the United States. **Please feel free just to come and listen or to voice your ideas and opinions.** Attendance at all of the sessions is not mandatory. To purchase the very informa-

tive 2010 discussion book, please call Maxie Phillips (301-927-0857). For more information, visit the website (www.fpa.org).



BOOKS AND AUTHORS

"A good book has no ending."

R. D. Cumming.

♥ The **Hyattsville Branch Library** (301-985-4690) offers a monthly afternoon book discussion group and a bi-monthly chess club.

♥ For all ages and levels, the **Chess Club** meets on the second and fourth Thursdays at 7 PM (**February 11th and 25th**) with instructor Ted Fagan. Guests/new members welcome!

♥ **NEW DAY and NEW TIME!!** The redesigned **HY-LI Saturday Book Discussion Group** meets monthly on the third **Saturday** at **3 PM**. On **February 20th**, they will discuss **"Islam: A Short History"** by Karen Armstrong. *The book covers the flight of Muhammad from Medina in the 7th century, the split between Shii and Sunni Muslims, Sufi mysticism, and the shattering effect of the Crusades on the Muslim world to an assessment of Islam today.* New members always are welcome. For March 20th, the selection will be *Go Tell It on the Mountain* by James Baldwin.

♥ The **After Eight Book Club**, a group open to all interested men, women, and couples, will continue its 2009-10 Club year on **February 16th** at 8 PM to discuss **"The Magician's Assistant"** by Ann Patchett. If you have questions or would like to join this month's discussion, please call Leila Steiner, 301- 779-7295. For March 16th, their selection will be *Berlin Diaries 1940-45* by Marie Vassiltchikov.



♥ The **College Park Arts Exchange Book Club** (info@cpae.org or 301-927- 3013) meets monthly on Fridays from 7:30-9 PM (except in August) at the College Park Old Parish House (corner of Knox and Dartmouth) to discuss

their ongoing theme of non-fiction works by women authors. Their selection for **February 19th** is **"Unspeakable: The Story of Junius Wilson"** by Susan Burch. *(A deaf African-American man struggles with the hardships of being institutionalized.)* On March 19th, the Club will discuss *A Mighty Long Way: My Journey to Justice at Little Rock Central High School* by Carlotta Walls Lanier, Lisa Frazier Page, and Bill Clinton!



FEBRUARY EVENTS AT RIVERSDALE

Guided tours of the lovely early-Federal Riversdale House Museum (4811 Riverdale Road, RP) are available on the quarter hour, Fridays and Sundays from 12:15 to 3:15 PM; group tours are available by appointment. No charge for Gift Shop visits during tour hours. Open-hearth cooking demonstrations are held each Sunday. For more information please call 301-864-0420/TTY 301-699-2544. Sign up for classes and activities at www.pg parks.com or 301-583-BOOK (w/touch-tone phone). *All fees listed are for P.G. County residents.

♥ Another Hands-On-History Program has been planned for Friday, **February 12th** from 10 AM-3 PM. In the early 1800s, young people learned crafts and their future trades through apprenticeships. **"Chef's Apprentice"** is the 4th of a continuing Apprentice Series being offered when school is closed for professional days. Using 19th century recipes and equipment, children ages 8-12, will spend the day preparing the Calvert children's favorite meal in the open hearth dependency kitchen. The fee of \$15 and **advanced registration is required by February 5th.** [Ed.NOTE: Foods popular with MD kids in the early 1800s might have included: root soup, coleslaw slaw, macaroni and cheese, Apoquinniminc Cakes, and Mary Randolph's bread pudding; and a chef's apprentice might have helped churn butter, powder sugar to use for icing, grind spices, or make serving placemats.] An entire 19th century meal will be prepared.

♥ The **"Seasonal Selections"** programs (held once a month on a Sunday from NOON to 3:30 PM), focus on a different topic each month, determined by either a holiday, or which fresh produce is in season, or the recurring cycles of an early 19th-century farm. On **February 21st**, the Riversdale Kitchen Guild's Seasonal Selections program, **"The Plummer's Kitchen,"** will feature traditional early-to-mid-19th-century African-American foods being recreated in the open hearth kitchen by costumed interpreters using period cookware. The seasonality of garden produce also will be discussed in reference to Plummer's profit-generating produce sales.

In 1807, Riversdale was home to Rosalie and George Calvert (descendant of the fifth Lord Baltimore). The Calverts owned several slaves, including Adam Plummer who had arrived at Riversdale as a child. Upon George's death, the estate and slaves passed to his son, Charles Benedict Calvert. Charles allowed Plummer to keep the profits from produce he grew on a part of the estate. After Plummer married Emily Saunders, an enslaved woman from the Three Sisters Plantation in Lanham, he chose to live apart from his wife to maintain his job at Riversdale. But when Maryland abolished slavery, Adam Plummer reunited with his wife and family and they lived at Riversdale where Plummer was a paid overseer.



»» ♥ **DOUBLE YUM !!** ♥ ««

♥ A delicious **Valentine Spaghetti Dinner** will be held on Saturday, **February 13th**, from 5-8 PM at University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman Street (at the corner of Route 1). The menu will feature spaghetti and home-made vegetarian sauce or meat sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread, dessert, and beverages. As usual, guests will get to enjoy live musical entertainment to complement their dining pleasure! Although

admission is free, donations will be accepted. If you have questions, please contact 301-864-4328 or UPCOB2@verizon.net.

♥ **Boy Scout Troop 214** will host its annual **Chili Supper** at Riversdale Presbyterian Church from 5-7 PM on Presidents' Day, Monday, **February 15th**. The \$6 tickets will be available from enthusiastic Scouts in uniform who will canvas the neighborhood on Saturday, **February 6th** and sell tickets after RPC church services on Sunday, **February 7th**. Tickets also may be purchased at the door; with **FREE** admission for children under 5 and for all Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and Scout leaders who are in uniform. The menu includes meaty, veggie, and spicy chili with homemade cornbread and dessert, salad, and beverages. (Take-out meals also will be available.) All proceeds help support Troop 214's activities during the year. For more information, kindly contact Russ Dickerson (301-779-8511, 301-405-5364, or russ@atmos.umd.edu).



AVIATION MUSEUM TRIP FOR UPHPA

UP residents are invited to join the **University Park Historic Preservation Association (UPHPA)** for an unusual opportunity to experience the College Park Aviation Museum "after hours." From 7:30 to 9 PM on Tuesday, **February 16th**, CPAM will provide a special presentation and tour of the facility. As part of the program, Museum educator Mary Wolfe will highlight the achievements of John W. Greene, a local aviation pioneer who was instrumental in opening the first airfield to be established, owned, and operated by African Americans. As a primary organizer of the airfield in early 1941, Greene served as the first manager of the "Riverside Field," known today as the Columbia Air Center, located near Croom, MD. The Museum's permanent exhibit contains more information and a newly-installed plaque honoring Greene.

For directions or more information about CPAM, please contact 301-864-6029 or www.collegeparkaviationmuseum.com. In lieu of admission for the special **February 16th** evening tour, donations to the Museum's "Field of Firsts" Special Fund will be accepted gratefully. For information about UHPA, please call Chris Garcia (301-699-9124). Mark your calendars so you **don't miss the chance to see the CPAM and its historic aircraft and exhibits displayed in a whole new light!**



SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

♥ **Saint Matthew's Episcopal Parish Day School** (36th and Nicholson, HY) will be accepting registrations for the 2010-2011 school year at their **Annual Open House** on Wednesday, **February 17th** during school hours. In operation since 1955, the school offers quality nursery classes for children ages 2-4 (9 AM to NOON, daily) and an exciting accredited kindergarten class for 5-year-olds (9 AM to 2:30 PM, daily). Extended day care is available from 7:30 AM until 6 PM, before and after school hours.

The active curriculum at St. Matthew's is enhanced by field trips, special guest visits, weekly child-oriented worship services in the "big" church, the much-anticipated student-prepared Thanksgiving feast, and special Christmas and Spring programs presented by the students for their families. Tours of the school also are available for drop-in visitors, or may be scheduled in advance. If you would like more information or to request a registration packet, please call 301-935-5026 or e-mail pjtwigg@aol.com.



2010-2011 SCHOLARSHIPS

♥ For the 64th year, the **University Park Woman's Club** will be offering scholarships to

graduating high school seniors. All eligible students may apply for the following two one-year scholarships; each is worth \$1,000:
♥ **The Doris McPhee Memorial Scholarship** ♥ is awarded to a graduating senior from Northwestern High School with a minimum 3.0 grade point average; economic need is a consideration for this scholarship. Application parts A, B, and C must be completed, along with providing all the information requested on the checklist.
♥ **The University Park Woman's Club Scholarship** ♥ also is awarded to a graduating senior with a minimum grade point average of 3.0, but the applicant must be either a resident of University Park or a non-resident child or grandchild of a UPWC member. Application parts A and B must be completed, along with providing all the information requested on the checklist.

The UPWC application and checklist may be picked up from the counselor's office at Northwestern, Eleanor Roosevelt, Elizabeth Seton, and DeMatha high schools OR may be downloaded from the University Park Town website: <http://www.upmd.org>. Completed applications should be delivered no later than Thursday, April 1, 2010 to "UPWC Scholarship Chair, 4104 Van Buren Street, University Park, MD 20782." For more information, please call Melody Lawrence (301-379-3864).

♥ **MD State Delegate Scholarships** are available to students planning to attend Maryland Colleges and Universities during the 2009-2010 academic year. Students (and parents) must be residents of Legislative District 22 and may be enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate, vocational, professional studies program, or post-secondary career. Selection criteria is based on financial need and/or academic achievement. All interested students may contact ♥ **State Senator Paul G. Pinsky** (301-858-3155). For online application, contact: www.senatorpinsky.org/scholarship.htm; please submit applications by **April 9th**.

♥ "Love is blind. Friendship closes its eyes. . ." ♥
Anonymous



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AND THE ANSWERS ARE!

Here are nine possible answers for the nine "SQUARE DEAL" squares that were in the January 2010 issue. You did not have to use these words to make a correct square. All answers that used four real words that could be read across and down would be correct! If you filled in all 9 squares, **YOU'RE A WINNER!** Now since there were 36 possible words, give yourself 1 point for each different word you used in your answers. If you used **36 different words, you are a SUPER WINNER!** Compare your score with others to see how many different words they used. Now who's the winner? The answers below show a score of 36! If you made an original 5-word square, e-mail it to the Editor with your name, age, and phone #, and we'll try to print a few! ♥

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7	8	9	<u>EXTRA CREDIT</u>
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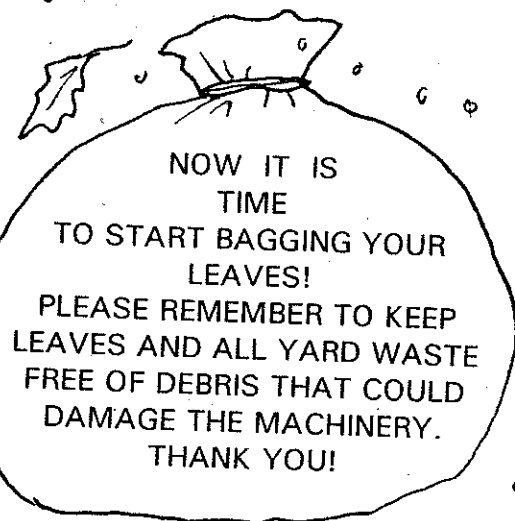
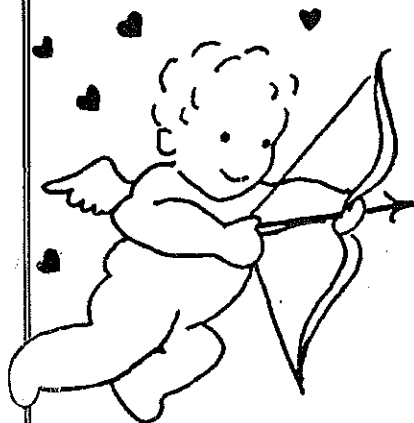
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TO START BAGGING YOUR
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LEAVES AND ALL YARD WASTE
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DAMAGE THE MACHINERY.
THANK YOU!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JANUARY 29th 12:00 NOON Deadline for March 2010 NEWSLETTER	1 7:30 PM UPES COUNCIL MEETING YARD WASTE RECYCLING	2 CP Youth Choir begins SAEC 6:30-8:30 PM Groundhog Day TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	3 Black History Month <i>and</i> American Steam Month	4 Active Cultures 7:30p "The Constellation" JMI (AC-TC) GAC 8p (GAC-SOAP) "5 One-Act Plays" SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	5 (AC-TC, 7:30 PM) CPAM is open until 9 PM (GAC-SOAP, 8 PM) TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	6 (GAC-SOAP, 2 PM) CPAE-OPH 3:30-5 PM Latin Dance (CPAE-LD) (AC-TC, 4 & 7:30 PM)
7 <i>Taking Park Farmers Market</i> 10a-2p (TP*FM) CPAM 1 PM "Catch Me If You Can" GB Artful Afternoon, 1-4p 1-3p: Skidoo Cloth Painting 3p: Chinese Acrobats Super Bowl 44	8 UM "Essence of Home" 7p CPAM 11a-2p "Home School Day" PGPC 6-8 PM "Black Magic, Part 1" YARD WASTE RECYCLING	9 PGPC 6-8 PM "Black Magic, Part 2" TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	10 21st Winter Olympics February 12th-18th <i>Vancover</i> British Columbia Canada	11 <i>Shamoo Edition</i> <i>from 1847</i> HY-LI CHESS 7 PM 7:30-9 PM Great Decisions UPGB "Special Envoys" (AC-TC, 7:30 PM) SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	12 (AC-TC, 7:30p) RHM "Chief's Address" 10a-3p Lincoln's Birthday UM: "Yin Yu Tang" 7p Kronos "A Chinese House" 8p UM "Hotel Castropia" 8p (UM-HC) CPAE "Mid-Eastern Concert" 7:30p TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	13 (CPAE-LD, 3:30-5p) PGPC "Kids' Party" 1-4 PM (AC-TC, 4 & 7:30p) (UM-HC, 8p) UPGB 5-8 PM "♥ Spaghetti Dinner"
14 (TP*FM) Chinese New Year (AC-TC, 4 & 7:30p) (UM-HC, 8p) Valentine's Day 3 PM "Blue Sky Puppet Theatre" CPAE-OPH "Rufus"	15 Presidents' Day (Town Office closed; no bus service) RPC 5-7 PM Troop 214 "Chili Dinner"	16 After 8 Book Group "The Magician's Asst." UM 5:30 PM "Afro Bop Alliance" UPHPA 7:30-9 PM "Tour & Talk at CPAM" TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	17 (UM-HC, 7:30 PM) St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School Open House 9a to 2:30p Azalea Classic Meeting UPES 7-8:30 PM YARD WASTE RECYCLING	18 (UM-HC, 7:30 PM) SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	19 (UM-HC, 8p) CPAE Books OPH 7:30-9p "Unspeakable: The Story of Junius Wilson" TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	20 (UM-HC, 2 & 8p) PGPC NOON-3p "Globe Trotter Visit" CPAM 2-3:30 PM "3 Biographical Plays" HY-LI Books 3 PM "Islam: A Short History"
21 (TP*FM) RHM NOON-3:30 PM "The Plummer's Kitchen"	22 UM Repertoire Orch. 8p 7:30 PM UPES COUNCIL MEETING <i>Washington's Birthday</i> YARD WASTE RECYCLING	23 UM 5:30 PM "Spark Ensemble" PP 10:15 & NOON PM "Buffalo Soldiers" TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	24 (Tip of the ♥ Month) DON'T LEAVE ♥ ANYTHING ♥ VALUABLE IN YOUR VEHICLE!	25 HY-LI CHESS 7 PM PGPC 5:30-7:30 PM "Black History 'leopardy'" 7:30-9 PM Great Decisions UPGB "Kenya & R2P" SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	26 PP 10:15a & NOON "Jackie Robinson Story" GAC 8PM (GAC-GV) "Greenbelt Voices" TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	27 <i>Flute discovered in 1930 by</i> <i>Glyde W. Sunkaugh</i> (GAC-GV, 8 PM)
28 (TP*FM) (GAC-GV, 2 PM) CPAE-OPH 2-4 PM Kids' Art Combo: "Puppets & Books"	March 1 YARD WASTE RECYCLING	2 TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	3 12:00 NOON Deadline for April 2010 NEWSLETTER	4 SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING	5 TOWN TRASH COLLECTION	6

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If you can't BEAR to be left behind...

PLAN AHEAD FOR FITNESS AND FUN

It's not too late to keep your New Year's Resolution to "get in shape!" Register online now for the **9th Annual University Park Azalea Classic 5K Run, 1K Family Fun-Run & 1-Mile Kids' Challenge** on Saturday, **April 17, 2010** & the just-for-fun **Dog Walk** on Friday, **April 16th**. Again, the Classic will feature exciting live music, special awards for top finishers, prize opportunities for all runners & free refreshments for everyone at a post-race party! The organizers of this year's Azalea Classic are excited about the continuation of the **1-mile "Challenge Race"** for ages 8-14. Jean Bourne-Pirovic of Long & Foster Realtors, a valued annual Azalea Classic sponsor, again has offered to sponsor the 1-mile Challenge race with an additional donation for the event. To help defray event expenses, **local businesses are encouraged to support the Classic** and benefit the UPES PTA by making a tax-deductible donation. To register, or for more info on being a Classic sponsor, please visit www.azaleaclassic.com. Families also may become Azalea Classic sponsors with a donation of \$150. In return, their name will be printed on this year's official multi-colored 100%-cotton Azalea Classic t-shirt and they will receive 4 free complimentary race entries. **The Town of University Park & the UP Elementary School PTA co-sponsor this fun physical fitness event for the community to benefit UPESPTA.** A paper registration form will be in the March NEWSLETTER.

